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Williams Urges School Nutrition Veto



WATERTOWN- State Representative Sean Williams (R-Oakville) today urged Governor M. Jodi Rell to veto the controversial “School Nutrition” bill that was passed by the General Assembly last month.

“This bill has laudable goals but is just one more horrible example of how the state legislature is usurping local control and micromanaging municipal issues,” Williams said in a letter to the Governor. “I trust local elected officials to make decisions that they feel are in the best interests of their communities.”

The House debate on the bill lasted longer than the debates on the issues of civil unions and the abolition of the death penalty. Opponents argued passionately against the bill, which they view as another unfunded state mandate.

Williams concluded by stating, “If this bill is signed into law, we will be sending a message that ‘one size fits all,’ which we all know is not true. It is time to start letting local officials make local decisions.”

Williams represents the 68th Assembly District, including Watertown, Oakville and Woodbury.